

BEARFACTS 1996 – 2006 **Deaf Smith**, **Texas** [48117]

Deaf Smith is one of 254 counties in Texas. It is part of the Hereford, TX Micropolitan SA. Its 2006 population of 18,342 ranked 124th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Deaf Smith had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$23,700. This PCPI ranked 193rd in the state and was 67 percent of the state average, \$35,166, and 65 percent of the national average, \$36,714. The 2006 PCPI reflected a decrease of 1.8 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 5.8 percent and the national change was 5.6 percent. In 1996 the PCPI of Deaf Smith was \$22,389 and ranked 30th in the state. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 0.6 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 4.7 percent and for the nation was 4.3 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 2006 Deaf Smith had a total personal income (TPI) of \$434,713*. This TPI ranked 131st in the state and accounted for 0.1 percent of the state total. In 1996 the TPI of Deaf Smith was \$426,616* and ranked 97th in the state. The 2006 TPI reflected a decrease of 1.7 percent from 2005. The 2005-2006 state change was 8.4 percent and the national change was 6.7 percent. The 1996-2006 average annual growth rate of TPI was 0.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 6.8 percent and for the nation was 5.4 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Deaf Smith. In 2006 net earnings accounted for 62.5 percent of TPI (compared with 72.3 in 1996); dividends, interest, and rent were 14.5 percent (compared with 13.5 in 1996); and personal current transfer receipts were 23.0 percent (compared with 14.2 in 1996). From 2005 to 2006 net earnings decreased 5.8 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 7.8 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 4.8 percent. From 1996 to 2006 net earnings decreased on average 1.3 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 0.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 5.1 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Deaf Smith decreased from \$314,860* in 2005 to \$300,286* in 2006, a decrease of 4.6 percent. The 2005-2006 state change was 8.3 percent and the national change was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1996 estimate of \$323,244* to the 2006 estimate was - 0.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 7.0 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

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^{*}Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.